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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

## **SD National Guard provides relief to Delmont after tornado**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. – South Dakota Gov. Dennis Daugaard activated about 25 members of the South Dakota National Guard's 114th Fighter Wing Civil Engineer Squadron to assist with tornado recovery efforts in the community of Delmont, May 11.

Daugaard surveyed the damage and declared a state of emergency in Delmont after a F2 tornado impacted the town of about 230 people on Sunday. The Guard is focused on debris removal.

Maj. Gen. Tim Reisch, the adjutant general of the SDNG, also traveled to Delmont to survey the damage.

"Assisting communities in the aftermath of a natural disaster is a key role of the National Guard," said Reisch. "We are proud to assist the citizens of Delmont who were impacted by this tragedy."

The Guard is coordinating their efforts with officials on site from the S.D. Department of Public Safety.

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**150511-Z-LQ671-092:** U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Jacob Beukelman, 114th Civil Engineer Squadron heavy equipment operator, loads a utility terrain vehicle to transport to Delmont, S.D., May 11, 2015. Approximately 25 members of the 114th CES were activated by South Dakota Gov. Dennis Daugaard to assist with tornado recovery efforts in the community. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Staff Sgt. Luke Olson/Released)

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